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SOMERS WATER DISTRICT HEALTH ADVISORY UPDATE

The following is issued to update the public concerning two notices that have been in effect for water provided by the Somers Water District.

Notice, Effective February 17, 1987

This printed notice was distributed to homes which were considered candidates for having received contaminated water from the tie treating plant water line break. Both bacteriological and chemical contamination could have occurred. These homes are currently being served with bottled water.

Samples taken from homes receiving bottled water indicate that the water from the distribution system is now bacteriologically and chemically safe for potable use. As a consequence, this notice is cancelled. The water may be safely used unless it exhibits a creosote odor or a sheen. If this occurs, the Water District should be notified immediately.

Health Advisory, Effective June 1, 1986

This printed notice was issued to advise the public that the water system was vulnerable to contamination by the Giardia parasite. Nothing has changed with regard to this problem although there are plans for correction.

As a consequence, this advisory remains in effect. It continues to be recommended that water used for drinking or cooking be boiled.